



**Longdendale**  
HIGH SCHOOL

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**Excellence and Ambition for all.**



# Welcome

Longdendale High School is a vibrant and caring community for all students. We celebrate our students' achievements and believe strongly in providing an environment where all our young people are able to thrive.

We are a school built on strong values and we strive for excellence in every aspect of our work. The ideas contained in our values, "Respect, Resilience and Aspiration" guide our efforts.

We are fully committed to maximising the achievement of every student to ensure they are fully equipped to succeed in all aspects of their lives and able to fulfil their future aspirations.

We are highly inclusive and pastoral care is at the heart of our whole approach to education.

Our whole school community has much to be proud of. We value our students as our greatest asset and encourage student leadership and student voice so they can be fully engaged in all aspects of the school. We take pride in getting to know our students and their families, working in partnership to get the best possible academic results for our children, whilst providing them with a wealth of opportunities to develop their curiosity and character.

By choosing Longdendale High School for your child, you are joining an exciting and forward-thinking community with excellence and ambition for all at its heart.



*Andrea Jones, Head of School*

**"My children are both thriving at school. Communication from the school is excellent and keeps me fully informed about all areas of school life. I would highly recommend Longdendale to any parent."**

**– Parent of a Year 8 and a Year 10 student**



**"Inclusion, care, nurture, and support are at the core of everything that happens at the school and is naturally ingrained in every aspect of school life, where every member of staff is committed to the school and highly valued by the Leadership Team and each other."**

**– IQM**



**“The school’s forward thinking and superb inclusivity is something that other schools should aspire to.”**

– IQM



## Excellence and Ambition for All

We are an inclusive 11 – 16 school, which is part of the family of schools that make up the Stamford Park Trust. Our values based, standards driven approach is underpinned by our core belief of **‘Excellence and Ambition for all’**.

There is a clear focus on the importance of academic studies, and developing independent students. Our expert teachers provide a wealth of opportunities for students to develop their minds and encourage their curiosity in the classroom. Belonging to a Trust of schools affords our students and staff with a greater advantage, through shared expertise and collaboration, we are able to develop exciting Aspiration and Enrichment programmes, working in partnership with Ashton Sixth form College. By working together as a group of schools, the students and staff across Stamford Park Trust have increased opportunities for everyone to develop and thrive.

It is also important our students have the opportunity to develop their talents and interests. We live in an incredibly culturally rich world and want our students to experience this richness. They can do so by learning a foreign language, learning to play an instrument, acting in the school production, debating or putting on a dance showcase. Pursuing interests and hobbies with other like-minded students and expressing their individuality is what gives our students the confidence to stride out into the world and make a difference.

Longdendale High School benefits from a very successful sports programme which includes football, rugby, handball, basketball, tennis, badminton, table tennis, rounders, softball, athletics and cricket amongst others. They have access to Astley Sports Village; Aston Sixth Form sporting Facilities and the Trust is a partnership school with Manchester City Football Club as part of the City Inspires project.

We are proud of the purposeful and inspiring learning environment in which we have created for our students.

**“I love coming to school. I’ve had so many opportunities to get involved in lots of different activities such as visits to universities, rewards trips and I’m a student leader so I have been able to represent the school at lots of different events, which makes me really proud. The staff are all very caring, and the teachers give me lots of help and support.”**

– Year 9 student

# Our Vision, Mission and Values

## Our Values

### Our Vision

Excellence and Ambition for all.

### Our Mission

Through excellence in education we are an inclusive community, that embraces choice, opens doors and creates opportunities. With kindness and collaboration, we empower everyone to be the best version of themselves. We are confident, curious and creative individuals who contribute positively to our community.



## RESPECT

Be polite and considerate

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Listen to others without interruption

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Respond promptly and positively

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Have pride in our environment and our community

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## RESILIENCE

Have a positive attitude

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Work hard, never give up

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Learn from mistakes

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Embrace challenges

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## ASPIRATION

Aim high

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Believe in ourselves

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Accept only our best

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Celebrate success

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# Inclusive and Student Centred

**Longdendale is a vibrant, caring, and inclusive school. There is a strong ethos of mutual respect, integrity and community where everyone feels safe, included and well supported in a caring and happy environment.**

Our Aspire Centre and Inclusion Team is at the heart of our school. Our ASPIRE centre is dedicated to supporting the academic and emotional wellbeing of all our students. Our inclusion team work with individuals, groups and families to remove any barriers ensuring our students thrive at school.

A strong partnership with our parents and families, underpins our inclusive approach to education and ensures we are at the heart of our school community

We understand that the move to secondary school can be stressful for parents and students alike. We have an extremely successful transition induction programme that immerses our new students in the new and exciting life at Longdendale High School, from the moment they are offered a place with us. Successful induction gives students and families the opportunity to feel part of the Longdendale community.



In a parent survey of the families of Year 7 students 100% said:

**“that attending summer school helped (their child) feel less anxious about the move to secondary school.”**

100% of parents surveyed said:

**“the induction days helped my child settle into LHS well.”**



**“I was worried about starting High School, but the Summer School was so much fun. By the end of the week I knew a lot of other students in my tutor group and all my worries had gone.”**

– Year 7 student

**“The school’s actions to care for its students, families and its staff continues to be outstanding.”**

– IQM





**“A thriving exceptional  
hub of educational and  
inclusive excellence.”**

– IQM



# Opportunity and Enrichment

We are very fortunate to be able to offer an extensive range of extra-curricular and enrichment activities. We encourage all students to take advantage of this offer which includes opportunities to develop their leadership skills as well as participating in a range of curriculum linked and competitive activities.

We also offer a broad range of clubs that are for fun and enjoyment from the debating club to the school production to the Brilliant club and our Eco Club, as well as involvement in charity events and local community projects.

Throughout Years 7 to 11, there are regular opportunities provided to support our students in planning for and managing their own futures; these include visiting speakers, college and careers advice workshops and personalised, one-to-one careers advice interviews. Students also benefit from an organised work placement in Year 10.

Careers Education, including our links with colleges, universities and employers are very important to everyone at Longendale High School. Throughout Years 7 to 11, there are regular opportunities provided to support our students in planning for and managing their own futures; these include visiting speakers, college and careers advice workshops and personalised, one-to-one careers advice interviews. Pupils also benefit from an organised work placement in Year 10.



# Our students now

It is wonderful to hear from former students and see where their educational journey has taken them. Here are just a few of our Longendale successes.



**Megan Bynon**  
Class of 2021  
Studying Midwifery at the  
University of Salford



**Matthew Scott**  
Class of 2019  
Professional Policing at  
University of Derby



**Robert Evans**  
Class of 2022  
Studying Law at  
The University of Nottingham



**“The school is committed to maximising the success, achievement, and outcomes for all students, each other, and families.”**  
– IQM



**“Extremely impressed by the students, their maturity, and their ability to engage in such high-level conversations. They are a credit to themselves and the school”.**  
– IQM



**“There is a high degree of trust and a very good understanding of how the school can best support students and their families”.**  
– IQM



**“Strong relationships with students and families”**  
– IQM



**“Classrooms were hives of meaningful learning and activity with students clearly engaged and involved in learning, but who were happy to discuss and give their thoughts about the school and what they were doing in class.”**  
– IQM



# Stamford Park Trust

**Longdendale High School joined Stamford Park Trust, a multi-academy Trust in partnership with Ashton Sixth Form College with a shared ambition to enhance the educational opportunities for all students across Tameside.**

The school benefits from a strong collaboration and partnership that supports our developments and innovations across a wide range of areas from curriculum design and classroom teaching to leadership development and facility sharing.

Our staff work together across the different phases of education to ensure our students are prepared for the important transition at 16, working closely with careers, liaison and admission professionals to guide students and help them make the right choices for them and their future careers.

There is real strength in our collaboration; we have already seen significant benefits across many aspects of school since we came together as one Trust.

There are real benefits to students and families choosing to be part of Stamford Park Trust. Firstly, your child will be joining a forward-thinking, progressive organisation which holds the students at the centre of all that it does.

We have a relentless focus on the quality of education and understand the importance of students feeling happy and inspired as part of a vibrant school community which acknowledges and celebrates the talents and achievements of all.

Working closely with staff at Ashton Sixth Form College, we encourage all students to participate in our flagship 'Realising Aspirations Programme', designed to help students develop both academically and personally, and prepare for a bright future ahead, whether at university, in higher level apprenticeships or in the world of work. All students, from year 7 to year 11, have the opportunity to work with the college, local universities and prestigious employers to help them become the very best version of themselves; This programme and its opportunities are unique members of the Stamford Park Trust family. By joining Longdendale, your child will become part of this family and have access to these ambitious programmes.

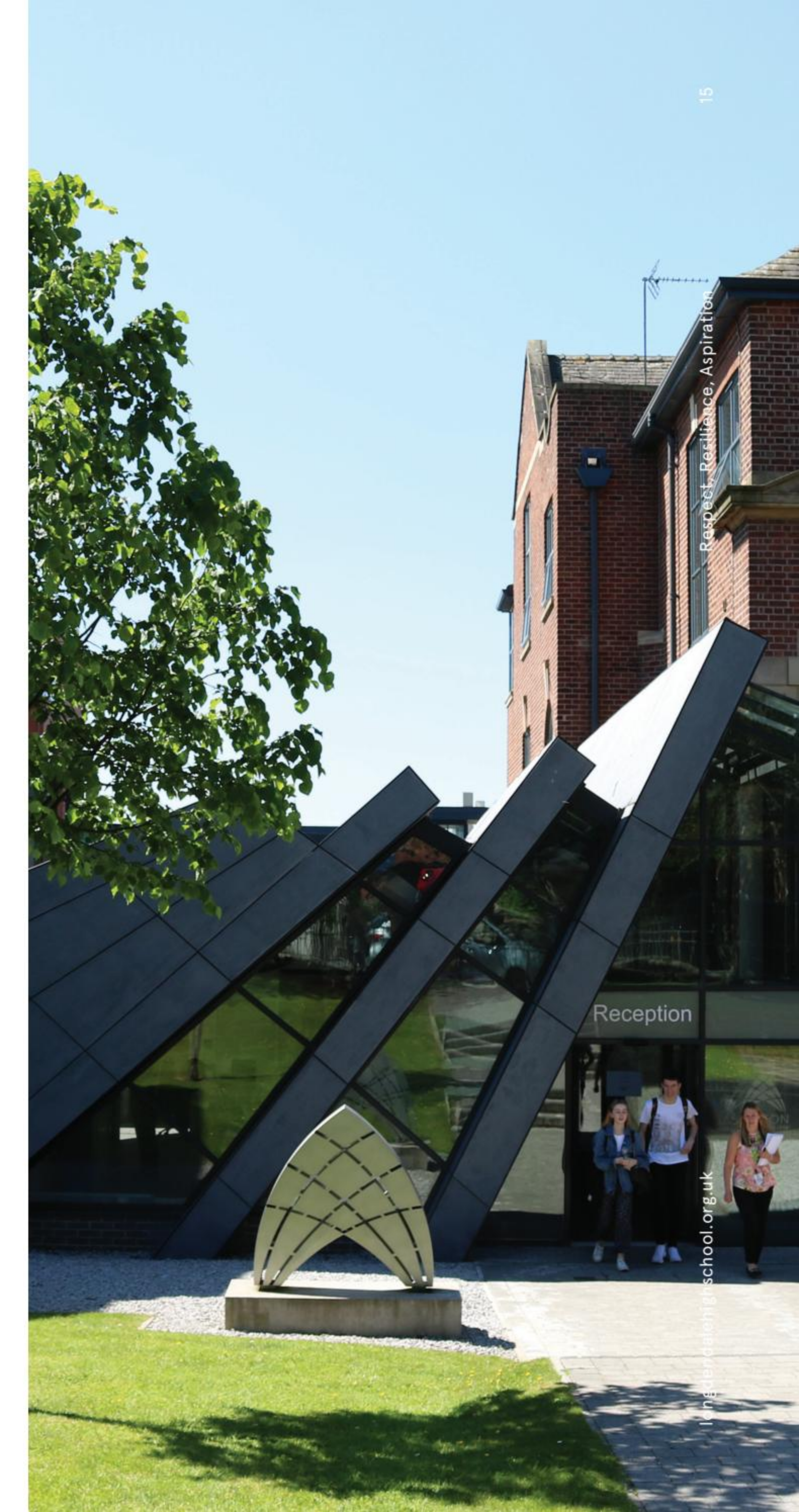
Students also benefit from the use of our fantastic facilities across the whole Trust, including state of the art academic facilities at Ashton Sixth Form College and sports facilities of unrivaled quality at Astley Sports Village. In the last year, the Trust has invested significantly in high quality teaching and learning facilities from science labs and libraries to computer science suites and food technology rooms.

We are already seeing the benefits of our collaboration since we came together as Stamford Park Trust. This year, GCSE and equivalent qualifications results were the best in the school's history. The investment in our staff, our facilities and a clear focus on our vision of 'Excellence and Ambition for all', are already having a significant and positive impact on the lives of our students.

By choosing Longdendale High School, your child will be part of our wider family, with ambition, success and care the focus of our offer.

*Anton McGrath, CEO Stamford Park Trust*

*Melanie Wicks, Executive Principal*







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